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... The Council of the parties is considered as a representative political party. This organ must be maintained and recognized completely, irrespective of what would happen to one or another of its components. . . These principles were sent verbally to General Radescu, who objected that the Party Council is not important today and besides it is not active anymore. The General was asked "How did he come to this conclusion?" Then he was shown that the party Council "is the most significant political realization abroad." . . .

(SO-33023)—The King described the audience given General Nicolae Radescu a short time before. According to the King, General Radescu did not propose that the National Committee be enlarged or its membership changed on the contrary, he had stated that the Committee was well organized and he anticipated the cooperation of its members. Radescu did not ask that General Constantin Petre-Lazar be replaced as the King's aide. The general criticized Constantin Visoianu and Alexander Cretzianu on the ground that they would not contribute to the relief of refugees from the secret Foreign Office fund administered by them. At a tea with the Royal Family after the audience Radescu complained that he had no money and had to get it where he could, principally from Nicolae Malaxa, Rumanian industrialist presently in the United States. Queen Mother Helen then remarked, "Perhaps you did not have to take money from this gentleman." Radescu replied, "What was I to do? I took money from where I could; I could not let our youth and intellectuals die of starvation." Upon taking leave of Radescu the King remarked, "I would like to have an

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understanding regarding our conversation. Because of wrong interpretations I would not like to hear outside anything except what we have discussed here." The King then briefly reviewed their talk and Radescu agreed with his summary.

King Mihai asked Veniamin about the secret Foreign Office fund administered by Constantin Visoianu and Alexander Cretzianu. . . The King added that Radescu had told him that this "national fund" was not being used to assist the Rumanian National Committee. Veniamin thereupon explained the impression that his explanation satisfied the King. . .

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